Governor about the same matter. But his use of the passive voice, as in "before any more expense is incurred," avoids stating by whom as well as for what such expenses are being incurred.

Arthur Caspar could equally have been referring to expenses he thought he had incurred through legal proceedings against whoever had confined him and which would cease upon his freedom. That he does not appeal to the Queen's representative in such humanitarian terms as justice and freedom, but on strictly fiscal grounds is perhaps a little satire on the "public-spiritedness" of the age and one of its representatives. However, Arthur Casper was also a book-keeper.

With a similar obliqueness Casper does not directly ask the Lieutenant-Governor for clothes or even indicate that he needed them. Instead he very discreetly asks him to give the "friends who wish to see me" a note. Even these anonymous "friends" he does not solicit, but instead he decorously indicates to the Lieutenant-Governor, perhaps that he might himself relay it in a note, that he would be "glad to have them call with some clothes."

In disastrous circumstances Arthur Casper endeavours to maintain a degree of respectability and even gentility. That his success might not have been so high does not detract from the effort. That he seems to execute such a potentially impertinent appeal with deference and even refinement suggests intelligence if not sanity.

Even his final disappointed comment seems intended to insulate both himself and his addressee from the effects of a rather harsh reality. He does not state that the Governor-General snubbed him, or declined a similar invitation, or that he had even been invited; he only mentions, possibly as a recommendation, that he, Arthur Casper, had expected to see him. It was, after all, under his lieutenant's warrant that he had been committed on October 23, 1882.

Arthur Casper's sister, Mrs. McDonough, writes Dr. Clark from Johnsonville (Quebec?), considering it her duty to ask how her brother was "getting along" and if he was "in need of anything." She includes a greet deal of information about herself. For example, she explains that she has been